

Form PTO-1449 (REV. 8-83)		US Dept. of Commerce PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 115875		APPLICATION NO. New US Application	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  (Use several sheets if necessary)				APPLICANTS Eiji HIGUCHI et al.			
				FILING DATE July 9, 2003			
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME		CLASS	SUB CLASS
<i>LQ</i>	1	5,645,448	07/08/1997	Hill		—	—
<i>LQ</i>	2	4,871,884	10/03/1989	Hayashi		—	—
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY		CLASS	SUB CLASS
<i>LQ</i>	3	EP 0 930 686 A1	07/21/1999	Europe		—	—
<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)</b>							
EXAMINER		<i>D.R. Reliz</i>				DATE CONSIDERED <i>12/21/03</i>	
Examiner: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							